Production and consumption of power in Orissa and Rajasthan

372. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) what is the per capita production and consumption of power in Orissa and Rajasthan as at present;

(b) what steps are being taken by Government to increase the production of power in these two States; and

(c) what Thermal Power Projects the Central Government have so far approved for inclusion in the Eighth Five Year Plan and the present stage of on going projects both in Rajasthan and Orissa?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI BABANRAO DHAKNE): (a) The per capita production (generation) and consumption of power in Rajasthan and Orissa during 1988-89 was as under:—

	Per Capita Production (Generation) (Gross)	Per Capita Consumption
	(KWH)	(KWH)
Rajasthan .	174·51	181·98
Orissa . .	162·79	200·63

(b) Various measures being taken to increase the availability of power in Rajasthan and Orissa, include maximising the generation from the existing generating stations, improving the performance of the existing power stations, reduction in Transmission and Distribution losses, effective load management and conservation of energy etc. New generating capacity is also planned in the States in the Eighth Plan period, in addition to the Central generating stations in the Western Region from which the State will get its due share of power.

(c) Eighth Plan has not been finalised so far. However, details of approved and on-going Thermal Projects expected to be commissioned in Rajasthan and Orissa during the 8th Five Year Plan, subject to the availability of resources and other inputs are as under:—

Name of the Project	Capacity (MW)	Expected date of commissioning
Rajasthan		
Kota-V .	210	3/94
Orissa		
Ib TPP-I .	210	3/93
Unit-II .	210	9/93
Talcher STPP (NTPC)		
Unit-I . .	500	4/94
Unit-II .	500	3/95

Ayurvedic cure for Guineaworm Disease

373. SHRI SHAMIM HASHMI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Nigerian Government is planning to use the Ayurvedic system for guineaworm cure at present being used by SWACH in Rajasthan as reported in The Hindustan Times of 30th September, 1990; and

(b) whether Government are planning to popularize this successful technique in other guineaworm affected areas in the country and if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (PROF. SHAKEELUR REHMAN): (a) The Government has no information about the plans of the Nigerian Government.

(b) There is no such proposal under consideration.

प्राकृतिक गैस का वैकल्पिक इस्तेमाल

374. **श्रीमती वीणा वर्मा :**
श्री कपिल वर्मा :

क्या पेट्रोलियम और रसायन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार का ध्यान विश्व बैंक द्वारा की गई इस आशय की टिप्पणी